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FOR THE SECRETARY

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TAGS: PDIP, LE
SUBJECT: PLO RESPONSE TO PRESIDENT'S AUGUST 8 REMARKS.

1. IN AUTHORITATIVE, OFFICIAL PUBLIC RESPONSE TO PRESIDENT
CARTER'S AUGUST 8 REMARKS ON POSSIBLE U.S. CONTACTS WITH
PALESTINIANS, ENGLISH LANGUAGE Wafa BULLETIN ON AUGUST 9
CARRIED ARTICLE BY ITS "POLITICAL EDITOR."
ALTHOUGH MAKING PRO-FORMA ATTACK ON U.S. AND ISRAELI
POSITIONS, ARTICLE IMPLICITLY ACKNOWLEDGES PLO WILLING-
NESS TO MAKE CONCESSIONS IN RETURN FOR CHANGE IN SECURITY
COUNCIL RESOLUTION 242 AND ENNUMERATES ACCEPTABLE CHANGES
IN RESOLUTION. THE ARTICLE:

-- CONDEMNS "CONSPIRATORIAL SOLUTION WHICH U.S. AND ISRAEL
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ARE CURRENTLY TRYING TO IMPOSE;" (THIS IS ARTICLE'S ONLY
DIRECT CRITICISM OF UNITED STATES AND ISRAEL.)

-- NOTES WITHOUT ELABORATION THAT "PREDICTIONS ... HAVE
EMERGED FROM VARIOUS QUARTERS WITH AIM OF ASCRIBING TO
PALESTINIAN POSITION ELEMENTS WHICH IT HAS NEVER INCLUDED;"
(EDITORIAL THUS SEEMS TO SUGGEST THAT PLO OPPOSES BUT DOES

NOT CATEGORICALLY REJECT RECOGNITION OF ISRAEL AS TRADE-OFF
FOR MODIFICATION OF RESOLUTION 242.)

-- AFFIRMS THAT "THE PLO CANNOT ... PARTICIPATE IN GENEVA
CONFERENCE AS LONG AS RESOLUTION 242 IGNORES PALESTINIAN
PEOPLE AND THEIR NATIONAL RIGHTS TO RETURN TO THEIR HOME-
LAND, TO SELF-DETERMINATION, AND TO ESTABLISH THEIR
INDEPENDENT NATIONAL STATE ON THEIR NATIONAL SOIL;"

-- SAYS THAT "ALTERATION IN RESOLUTION 242" SHOULD BE MADE
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THESE "LEGITIMATE NATIONAL RIGHT," AS
AS RECOGNIZED BY UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 3236.

2. ON BALANCE, TONE OF EDITORIAL INDICATES PLO RETAINS
SOME SKEPTICISM THAT ANY POSITIVE RESULT WILL COME FROM
CURRENT DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITIES. AT SAME TIME, IT SUGGESTS
PALESTINIANS ARE WILLING TO MODIFY THEIR POSITIONS TO
ACHIEVE "NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR DISCUSSIONS" CITED BY PRESIDENT.

3. COMPLETE TEXT VIA UNCLASSIFIED SEPTTEL.
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